TOWN OF HERNDON

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TOWN OF HERNDON 1st QUARTER COMMUNITY INSPECTIONS REPORT

Herndon, VA (October 13, 2009) – During the first quarter of FY 2010 (July 1, 2009 through September 30, 2009) 23 new complaints regarding excessive occupancy of residences were received by the Town of Herndon's zoning inspections team. Forty-five cases were closed during the quarter, with violations abated in 23 cases and no violations found in the remaining cases.

This compares to 29 new complaints received during the first quarter of FY 2009 and 49 new complaints received during the first quarter of FY 2008.

On average, the length of time needed to resolve a case during the first quarter of FY 2010 was 34.2 days, a significant decrease from the FY 2009 average of 62.4 days – due, in large part, to improved staff proficiency and case management as well as aggressive prosecution of violations. The length of time between receipt of a complaint and an initial visit by the zoning inspections team has remained consistently low, at less than one day.

During the first quarter of FY 2010, two individuals were successfully prosecuted for overcrowding violations, bringing the town's total number of successful prosecutions to 49.

For more information on excessive occupancy enforcement or to file a complaint, contact the Department of Community Development, Zoning Inspections, at (703) 707-2666 or community.violations@herndon-va.gov. Information is also available on the enforcement page under Planning/Zoning at www.herndon-va.gov.

The Town of Herndon was incorporated by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia on January 14, 1879. Located in western Fairfax County, Herndon is the 3rd largest town in the Commonwealth and is home to more than 23,000 citizens. Businesses located within the Town of Herndon, which range from high tech enterprises to entrepreneurially-owned establishments, employ approximately 25,000 people.

For more information, visit the town's Web site at www.herndon-va.gov.